



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Patent No: 6,533,788

Current Named Inventor: Jorge L. Orbay

Assignee: Hand Innovations, LLC

Attorney Docket: HAN-006

Title: Locking Device for Intramedullary Pin Fixation

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313

Sir:

PETITION TO CORRECT INVENTORSHIP IN A PATENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.304

Through error, Javier Castañeda, having a residence and postal address of 9520 SW 117th Court, Miami, FL 33186 and being a United States citizen, was not named as an inventor in the above referenced patent. This error occurred without any deceptive intention on his part. Both Javier Castañeda and Jorge Orbay (currently named) should be named as inventors. The Commissioner for Patents is hereby petitioned to correct inventorship of the patent and issue a certificate of correction naming the actual inventors.

In association with this Petition and in accord with the requirements, a statement from the inventor being added, a statement from the current inventor, a statement from the assignee, and the fee set forth in §1.20(b) are also provided herewith.

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ATTACHED HEREWITH ARE:

- Petition To Correct Inventorship In A Patent Under 37 CFR 1.324
- Statement Of Javier Castañeda Under 37 CFR 1.324(b)(1)
- Statement Of Jorge L. Orbay Under 37 CFR 1.324(b)(2)
- Statement By Assignee Hand Innovations, LLC Under 37 CFR 1.324(b)(3)
- Assignment From Hand Innovations, Inc. To Hand Innovations, LLC
- Assignment From Javier Castañeda To Hand Innovations, LLC
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Sir:

STATEMENT OF JAVIER CASTAÑEDA UNDER 37 CFR 1.324(b)(1)

I declare that:

(a) I have reviewed and understand the contents of U.S. Patent No. 6,533,788 (including claims 1-22). At the time of filing the application, the originally named inventor, Jorge L. Orbay, did not appreciate that Javier E. Castañeda had contributed to the claimed invention. After the issuance of the patent, I became aware of the existence and scope of the patent. I believe that I am a joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed in the patent.

(b) The inventorship error of failing to include me, Javier E. Castañeda, as an inventor of the patent occurred without any deceptive intention on my part.

(c) I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of the application in accordance with 37 CFR 1.56(a).

(d) I hereby declare that all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful

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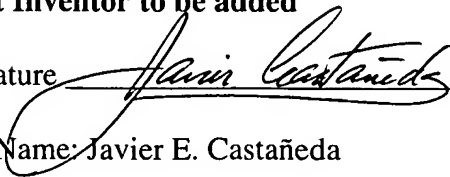
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Joint Inventor to be added

Signature



Date

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Full Name: Javier E. Castañeda

Residence: 9520 SW 117th Court, Miami, FL 33186

Citizenship: US

P.O. Address: same as residence

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Alexandria, VA 22313

Sir:

STATEMENT OF JORGE L. ORBAY UNDER 37 CFR 1.324(b)(2)

As the inventor of the above referenced patent, having residence and citizenship as listed below I hereby declare that:

(a) I have reviewed and understand the contents of U.S. Patent No. 6,533,788 (including claims 1-22). At the time of filing the application, the originally named inventor, Jorge L. Orbay, did not appreciate that Javier E. Castañeda had contributed to the claimed invention.

(b) I agree with the change of inventorship that adds Javier E. Castañeda as a joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed in the patent.

(c) I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of the application in accordance with 37 CFR 1.56(a).

(d) I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful



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First- Named Joint Inventor

Signature  Date 8/18/04

Full Name: Jorge L. Orbay

Residence: 390 Campana Avenue, Miami, FL 33156

Citizenship: US

P.O. Address: same as residence



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Sir:

STATEMENT BY ASSIGNEE HAND INNOVATIONS, LLC
UNDER 37 CFR 1.324(b)(3)

Hand Innovations, LLC, having an address of 8905 S.W. 87th Avenue, Miami, FL 33176, is the assignee of the entire right, title, and interest in the above-referenced patent, agrees to the change in inventorship in the patent adding Javier Castañeda as an inventor.

Evidence indicating Hand Innovations, LLC's ownership interest in the patent is provided at (1) REEL 012389 FRAME 0716 which records a transfer of the entire right, title, and interest in the patent application issuing as U.S. Pat. No. 6,533,788 from Jorge L. Orbay to Hand Innovations, Inc., and the attached copy of an assignment document which indicates that U.S. Pat. No. 6,533,788 was assigned from Hand Innovations, Inc. to Hand Innovations, LLC on June 23, 2004, and (2) a copy of an assignment document which assigns Javier Castañeda's entire right, title, and interest in U.S. Pat. No. 6,533,788 to Hand Innovations, LLC.

I am authorized to act on behalf of and sign this statement on behalf of Hand Innovations, LLC.

Respectfully submitted,

Jorge L. Orbay
for Hand Innovations, LLC

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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION

PATENT NO : 6,533,788 B1
DATED : March 18, 2003
INVENTOR(S) : Jorge L. Orbay et al.

It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent
is hereby corrected as shown below:

In field (75) of the title page, add "Javier E. Castañeda, Miami, FL (US)"

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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, Hand Innovations, Inc., ("Assignor") is a corporation having an address of 8905 S.W. 87th Avenue, Suite 220, Miami, FL 33176; and

WHEREAS, Hand Innovations LLC, a limited liability company having an address of 8905 S.W. 87th Avenue, Miami, FL 33176, its heirs, successors, legal representatives and assigns ("Assignee") is desirous of acquiring the entirety of Assignor's right, title and interest in and to the inventions disclosed in the following (i) thirteen (13) United States patent applications and ten (10) issued United States patents (all with associated attorney docket numbers), and (ii) any corresponding pending applications and issued patents throughout the world, including but not limited to those listed below:

U.S. Patents

6,200,321 (HAN-001)
6,273,892 (HAN-002)
6,358,250 (HAN-003)
6,440,135 (HAN-004)
6,364,882 (HAN-005)
6,533,788 (HAN-006)
6,730,090 (HAN-007)
6,508,819 (HAN-008)
6,712,820 (HAN-008A)
6,706,046 (HAN-018)

U.S. Patent Applications

10/159,612 (HAN-004CIP)
10/307,796 (HAN-015)
10/401,089 (HAN-020)
10/686,291 (HAN-021A)
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10/664,371 (HAN-022)
10/689,797 (HAN-025)
10/767,128 (HAN-026)
10/724,305 (HAN-027)
10/762,695 (HAN-030)
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60/538,589 (HAN-028P1)
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Foreign Patents

744954 (HAN-001) Australia

Foreign Patent Applications

PI9913631-7 (HAN-001)
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NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the Assignor, by and through its authorized representative, Jorge L. Orbay, hereby sells, assigns and transfers unto said Assignee the entirety of Assignor's right, title and interest to said inventions in the United States and throughout the world, and the entirety of Assignor's right, title and interest in and to any and all patents that have been or may be granted throughout the world therefor, and in and to any and all patent applications, divisionals, continuations, continuations-in-part, reissues, and extensions thereof for the full term or terms for which the same may be granted.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, Jorge L. Orbay have hereunto set my hand and seal this 23rd day of June, 2004.

State of Florida:
County of Miami-Dade:



Jorge L. Orbay
President
Hand Innovations, Inc.

Subscribe and sworn to before me this 23rd day of June, 2004.



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Notary Public

ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, I, Javier Castañeda, hereinafter referred to as the "Inventor", a citizen of the United States whose post office address is 9520 SW 117th Court, Miami, FL 33186 have invented certain new and useful improvements in

LOCKING DEVICE FOR INTRAMEDULLARY PIN FIXATION

as described in U.S. Patent No. 6,533,788.

AND WHEREAS, HAND INNOVATIONS, LLC hereinafter referred to as the "said COMPANY", a company having a place of business at 8905 S.W. 87th Avenue, Miami, FL 33176, is desirous of acquiring or confirming its acquisition of the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention, inventions or improvements, and in and to said patents, both of the United States and of all foreign countries.

NOW, THEREFORE TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, BE IT KNOWN, that I, the Inventor, for good and valuable considerations, the receipt and sufficiency of which I hereby acknowledge, have sold, assigned, transferred and conveyed, and by this assignment do sell, assign, transfer and convey, unto said COMPANY, its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest throughout the world, in and to my invention, inventions or improvements described or set forth in said patent, and in and to any and all patents, certificates, utility models, reissues, extensions, additions or confirmations thereof which may be granted in the United States or in any foreign country upon said invention, inventions or improvements, to have and to hold the same to the full end of the term or terms for which any and all such United States and foreign patents and grants may be issued on said invention, inventions or improvements.

AND I do hereby authorize and request the issuing authority to issue any and all of said United States and foreign patents to said COMPANY, its successors and assigns, as the assignee of the entire right, title and interest in and to the same, for the sole use and benefit of said COMPANY, its successors and assigns.


AND I do hereby covenant and warrant that I have full right to convey the entire right, title and interest herein assigned free and clear of all licenses, encumbrances and liens whatsoever, and that I have not executed and will not execute any instruments in conflict herewith.

AND I, for the conditions aforesaid, do hereby covenant and agree to and with the said COMPANY, its successors and assigns, that I, my executors, administrators, or other personal representatives, shall and will do all lawful acts and things, make all rightful oaths, and make, execute, and deliver any and all other instruments in writing, and any and all further applications, papers, powers, affidavits, assignments, disclaimers and other documents, which in the opinion of counsel for said COMPANY, its successors and assigns, may be required or necessary in this or in any foreign country more effectually to secure to and vest in said COMPANY, its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention, inventions, or improvements, patents, rights, titles, benefits, privileges and advantages hereby sold, assigned, confirmed, transferred and conveyed.

The undersigned hereby grant(s) David P. Gordon, Esq., David S. Jacobson, Esq., and Jay P. Sbrillini, Esq. the power to insert on this Assignment any further identification which may

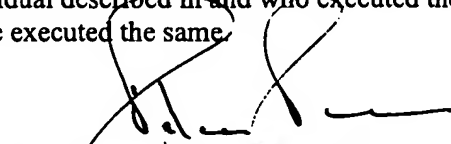
be necessary in order to comply with the rules of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office for the
recording of this document.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, Javier Castañeda, have hereunto set my hand and seal this
18th day of August, 2004.


Javier Castañeda

County of Miami-Dade)
State of Florida) ss:

BE IT KNOWN, that on this 18th day of August, 2004 personally appeared Javier
Castañeda to me known and known to me to be the individual described in and who executed the
foregoing assignment and he acknowledged to me that he executed the same.


Notary Public

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My commission expires:



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